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For: METHOD FOR ALTERNATING THE STACKING DIRECTION OF FLAT AND

FLEXIBLE OBJECTS, MEANS FOR IMPLEMENTING SAID METHOD AND BATCH-

FORMING INSTALLATIONS EQUIPPED WITH SAID MEANS

RENEWED REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF NOTIFICATION OF ABANDONMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents & Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests [MPEP, §711.03] reconsideration of the "DECISION ON PETITION" DATED November 8, 2001 and again requests that the Notification of Abandonment dated July 3, 2001 be withdrawn and the application reinstated as properly pending before the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office.

The DECISION states:

"---This application became abandoned based on applicant's failure to file the English translation of the international application (and related processing fee) in response to the Notification Of Missing Requirements mailed 10 April 2000 and the Notification Of A Defective Response and Notification Of A Defective Translation mailed 31 May 2000. The present submission does not include a copy of the missing English translation of the international application, nor does it provide any evidence that the translation was previously filed (i.e., a stamped return postcard itemizing the English translation). Absent the submission by applicant of a copy of the English translation and evidence that such translation was in fact filed on 24 January 2000, the present holding of

abandonment remains appropriate.---Applicant must provide an English translation of the international application and either: (1) evidence that this translation was filed by applicant, as claimed, on 24 January 2000; or (2) a grantable petition to revive the international application.

The undersigned attorney for applicant herein confirms that the indicated translation was indeed filed on January 24, 2000; however, it was included as part of a package of papers entitled, (1) TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/
ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371, (2)
PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT and (3) CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS AND NOTICE OF FILING WITHOUT DECLARATION.

In paper (1), the box marked "A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) was clearly checked.

The translation was included in the package after paper (3). It is believed that an inspection of the official file will reveal that the translation is, indeed, present as part of that package of papers filed on January 24, 2000 immediately behind or after the above-identified paper (3). In any event, the fact that the appropriate box in paper (1) was checked is prima facie evidence that the translation was filed. It is not inconceivable that the translation became detached from the above package of papers or otherwise misplaced in the USPTO.



A further copy of the translation is enclosed herewith. Accordingly, please withdraw the abandonment of the application and reinstate the application on the active docket.

Respectfully submitted,

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